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- The KRUSTPILS (25°52°E/56°31°N) airfield, located north of the town and north of a single-track railroad line, was not very large. It had one hangar (about 100 x 50 feet) and 2 or 3 25X1 1. three-story barracks buildings, each about 135 x 50 feet.
 - There was intensive flying during the day with the following aircraft:
 - a. About 20 biplanes which practiced local flights and bomb release over the frozen Dying River, each biplane dropping one bomb from an altitude of about 550 feet.

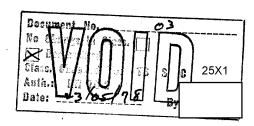
Single-engine low-wing monoplanes of type IL-2; these planes practiced local flights and flying in formations of up to nine.

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Comment:

The data confirmed previous information , according to which an airfield occupied by IL-2s had been observed near KRUSTPILS up to 1947.

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